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12/7/2 (Item 2 from file: 155)
DIALOG(R)File 155: MEDLINE(R)

12360021 **PMID:** 9103842
[Experimental study of hypoglossal facial anastomosis and accessory-facial anastomosis in guinea pigs]

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Nippon Jibiinkoka Gakkai kaiho (JAPAN) Mar 1997 , 100 (3) p299-306 , **ISSN:** 0030-6622--Print
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Document type: English Abstract; Journal Article; Research Support, Non-U.S. Gov't
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Hypoglossal facial **nerve** anastomosis (XII-VII anastomosis) or accessory-facial anastomosis (XI-VII anastomosis) have been chosen for facial rehabilitation when the facial **nerve** is widely sacrificed and end-to-end anastomosis or **nerve** grafting is unavailable. However, no detailed study has been conducted to determine which donor **nerve** is better for the anastomosis procedure in view of **regeneration** of the facial **nerve**. To compare and evaluate **nerve regeneration** after XII-VII anastomosis and XI-VII anastomosis, animal models of these anastomoses were made in guinea pigs by using a Y-shaped silicon **tube**. The proximal cut-ends of the hypoglossal **nerve** and accessory **nerve** were suspended in the paired inlet limbs of a Y-shaped silicone **tube** with a 9-0 nylon suture, and the distal cut-end of the facial **nerve** was suspended in the **single outlet** limb in a similar manner. After 4 and 8 weeks, histological studies were carried out. An electrophysiological study of conduction velocity and amplitude of evoked electromyography were measured at 8 weeks postoperation. The **nerve** fibers **regenerated** from the hypoglossal **nerve** were significantly more numerous than those from the accessory **nerve** at both 4 and 8 weeks after anastomosis. The amplitude of evoked electromyography elicited from the hypoglossal **nerve** was greater than that from the accessory **nerve**, even though there is no significant difference in conduction velocities between the two anastomoses. The **nerve regeneration** by the cross-over procedure was influenced by many factors such as the number of **nerve** fibers in the donor **nerve** and the affinity between donor and recipient **nerves**. The number of **nerve** fibers in the hypoglossal **nerve** was significantly greater than that in the accessory **nerve**. However, there was no significant difference in the ratios of **regenerated nerve** fibers to the preoperative **nerve** fibers. Accordingly, we concluded that the affinity of the hypoglossal or accessory **nerve** to the facial **nerve** is a minor factor if it exists, and the difference in the fiber count in these **nerves** is a major factor in the outcome of **nerve regeneration**.

12/7/4 (Item 4 from file: 155)
DIALOG(R)File 155: MEDLINE(R)

10524937 **PMID:** 1280515
The formation of a 'pseudo-nerve' in silicone chambers in the absence of regenerating axons.

Zhao Q; Dahlin L B; Kanje M; Lundborg G

Department of Hand Surgery, General Hospital, Lund University, Malmo, Sweden.
Brain research (NETHERLANDS) Oct 2 1992 , 592 (1-2) p106-14 , **ISSN:** 0006-8993--Print
Journal Code: 0045503
Publishing Model Print
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Languages: ENGLISH
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The formation of a **regenerate** between sciatic **nerve** segments or stumps inserted into Y-tunnelled silicone chambers was studied under conditions where **regenerating** axons were prevented from entering the chamber. This was accomplished by using an isolated segment of the **nerve** as a proximal **insert**. After **one** week, a cellular **regenerate** spanned the proximal and distal inserts. The size of the **regenerate** increased if circulation was preserved in the distal inserts. At four weeks, a perineurium-like **sheath** surrounded the **regenerate** and longitudinally oriented Schwann cell columns could be observed throughout the **regenerate**. A similar 'pseudo-**nerve**' formed towards a piece of distally inserted **tendon**. Thus, the information required for the formation of a **nerve**-like structure is inherent to the non-neuronal cells entering the chamber. Schwann cells, in contrast to **regenerating** axons, do not exhibit preferential growth towards nervous tissue.

12/7/5 (Item 5 from file: 155)
DIALOG(R)File 155: MEDLINE(R)

07699181 **PMID:** 3967717
Electromyographic evaluation of a novel surgical preparation to enhance nerve-muscle specificity that follows mammalian peripheral nerve trunk transection.

Politis M J; Steiss J E
Experimental neurology (UNITED STATES) Feb 1985 , 87 (2) p326-33 , **ISSN:** 0014-4886--Print **Journal Code:** 0370712
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Document type: Journal Article; Research Support, Non-U.S. Gov't
Languages: ENGLISH
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Previous studies indicated that axons from proximal stumps of transected peripheral **nerves** "prefer" to grow through Silastic **tubes** attached to their native (originally associated) rather than foreign (not originally associated) distal stumps. We determined whether or not this specificity is expressed at the level of the neuromuscular junction. Proximal stumps of transected rat sciatic **nerves** (peroneal and tibial branches) were attached to **single** inlet ends of 6-mm-long, Y-shape Silastic **implants**. **One outlet** was attached to the distal peroneal and the other to the distal tibial stump. Ten weeks later, innervation of the anterior tibialis and interosseous muscles (normally innervated predominantly by peroneal and tibial **nerve** fibers, respectively) was assessed by measuring compound muscle action potential amplitudes and latencies that follow supramaximal peroneal and tibial **nerve** stimulation. Results showed higher amplitudes in anterior tibialis muscle, induced by "native" peroneal (vs. tibial) stimulation in four of five animals, and higher amplitudes in interosseous muscles after "native" tibial (vs. peroneal) stimulation in all cases examined. Preparations in which **bridges** between proximal and distal **nerve** stumps were **bridged** with unbranched **tubes** showed random patterns of muscle innervation. The results suggest that if allowed to express "specificity" at the level of **nerve** trunk transection, **regenerating** mammalian peripheral axons can grow into, and form functional connection

with, native (vs. foreign) muscle groups. This finding has possible clinical significance.

17/7/3 (Item 1 from file: 5)
DIALOG(R)File 5: Biosis Previews(R)

16156611 **Biosis No.:** 200100328450
Retainer for tendons used in the reconstruction of the anterior cruciate ligament of the knee

Author: Conteduca Fabio (Reprint); Ferretti Andrea
Author Address: Rome, Italy**Italy
Journal: Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Patents 1247 (2): June 12, 2001 2001
Medium: e-file
Patent Number: US 6245073 **Patent Date Granted:** June 12, 2001 20010612 **Patent Classification:** 606-72 **Patent Assignee:** Citieffe S.r.l., Calderara di Reno, Italy **Patent Country:** USA
ISSN: 0098-1133
Document Type: Patent
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Language: English

Abstract: The retainer for tendons used in the reconstruction of the anterior cruciate ligament of the knee comprises a **cylindrical** body having a flange at one end and an eyelet at the other end; the tendons are engaged through the eyelet and are guided through a **hole** formed through the femoral and tibial condyles; the body can be inserted until the flange abuts against the femoral inlet of the **hole**.

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DIALOG(R)File 350: Derwent WPIX

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Surgical aid for connective tissue grafting - comprising inserting a tissue graft into a length of sheath and applying axial tension to the sheath to contract it about the graft, using the sheath to place the graft into position
Patent Assignee: CENTERPULSE ORTHOPEDICS INC (CENT-N); ESNOUF P S (ESNO-I); LOVE B R T (LOVE-I)
Inventor: ESNOUF P S; LOVE B R T

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Alerting Abstract WO A1
A sheath (20), for ligament grafting is formed from, or includes, bioabsorbable material and has a relaxed state where the sheath has diameter from 8mm to 15mm and stretched state where length of sheath is at least five times its length in relaxed state. Also claimed is: i) device for assisting in ligament grafting ii) method of facilitating placement of a ligament graft.
USE - A surgical aid useful in connective tissue grafting procedures, such as ligament grafting when reconstructing a joint.
ADVANTAGE - Invention allows delivery of a graft held therein to its site of application without attaching sutures or the like to the graft itself, avoiding potential damage to the graft during insertion.

Documentation Abstract ...and reduced state, arrangement being such that ligament graft is located within hollow body and **one end** of **sheath** pulled from **one end** of hollow body so that first end of graft is withdrawn from body and retained in **sheath** so that body can be removed from other end of **sheath** whereby a ligament graft assembly (9) is formed in which the graft is located in intermediate portion of **sheath** in reduced state... ... graft comprises: a) forming a ligament graft assembly by placing a ligament graft within a **sheath** whilst the **sheath** is in expanded diameter state b) pulling respective ends of **sheath** away from graft so that graft remains enveloped by intermediate portion of **sheath**, end portions (20a, 20b) of **sheath** being elongate and in reduced diameter state, forming first and second holes in first and second bones, pulling **one end** portion through holes so that graft is carried with sleeve until **one end** of graft is located in first **hole** and the other located in second **hole**.... ... PREFERRED APPARATUS - **Sheath** is mesh fabric, sizes 2.5 to 3.5mm and formed from strands by knitting... ... polyglycolic acid polymer. The ligament graft assembly has total length of 200 to 350mm with **sheath** in its reduced diameter state. **Documentation Abstract Image**